

LINER ORDUNA FIRED UPON BY U-BOAT; HAD NO WARNING

Cunarder, Shortly After Leaving
Liverpool, Eluded Submarine
After Six Shells Are Driven
At Her.

State Department Officials Sur-
prised At Continuance of
Undersea Warfare Pending
Negotiations.

NEW YORK, July 17.—A Ger-
man submarine attempted to tor-
pedo the Cunarder Orduna, short-
ly after she left Liverpool, accord-
ing to Baron Rosenkrantz, of Den-
mark, one of the passengers
aboard the big steamer, which
reached here today.

The submarine was sighted at 6
o'clock on the morning of July 9,
the baron said, and chased the Or-
duna for nearly an hour, attempt-
ing to get close enough to fire a
torpedo. Seeing that she was out-
distanced, the U-boat fired six
shells at the liner, but none of
the mtook effect.

On her last trip from New York
the Orduna carried a large cargo
of war munitions for the allies. It
was reported her departure had
been "tipped" and that German
submarines were lying in wait for
her.

Only the brilliant manner in
which Captain Taylor maneuvered
his ship prevented the Orduna
from meeting the same fate as the
Lusitania, according to other pas-
sengers. Among these were Law-
rence Johnson, jr., of Philadelphia;
J. O. Smith, of Chicago, and F.
M. Morse, of Winnipeg.

The following day twenty-three
first class passengers adopted a
resolution, expressing appreciation.

Report of Attack on
Cunarder By Submarine
Adds to Tension Here

Just at the time when optimism had
begun to obtain in many quarters here
that the issue over neutral rights be-
tween this country and Germany would
yield to diplomatic treatment without
further tension, word has come that
indicates Germany does not intend to
stop her submarine war on passenger
liners.

Despite the fact that Ambassador
Bernstorff told Secretary Lansing yes-
terday that he believed there would be
no more cases like the Lusitania, the
Cunard liner Orduna, which arrived in
New York today is reported to have
been attacked by a German submarine.
As understood here, it is charged
that an effort was made to torpedo
her without warning. Later, she was
shelled, but escaped, said the report.

American passengers were on board.
The Orduna affair, from unofficial
reports that reached here today, will
not in itself be a cause of controversy
between this nation and Germany since
the vessel escaped and no lives were
lost.

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MACHINISTS TO GO TO EDDYSTONE SOON

First Group of Men to Quit the
Navy Yard Here Will Leave
Next Week.

The first group of expert machinists
to quit the Washington navy yard for
the new Remington arms plant at Ed-
dystone, Pa., will leave Washington
early next week, it was declared by an
agent of the company here today.

W. F. Smith, who has been signing
up machinists for Eddystone, said the
fact that a great number of men had
not evidenced their intention to leave
the Government service by resigning
was no indication that any of the men
counted upon would not leave when the
time came. A majority of those need-
ed, he said, would not be wanted at
Eddystone before August 1.

Western Breezes To Set Back Heat

But Retreat of Old General Hu-
midity Is Expected to Be
Only Slight One.

Old General Humidity is on the re-
treat, and High Temperature will ex-
perience a setback, but, alas, only a
slight one.

This is the gist of the Weather Bu-
reau's bill of fare for the next forty-
eight hours. The lowered humidity will
be served up with western breezes,
which will make things more dry, but
even a western wind is not expected to
make a deep impression on the gen-
eral warm weather along the At-
lantic coast.

Washington is suffering no worse than
other cities, and is considerably more
habitable than some further north.
While sojourners at Atlantic City were
sweating at 82 degrees, Washington
escaped with a maximum of 80 de-
grees. Philadelphia had the same show-
ing while Richmond was two degrees
warmer than the Capital.

Another thunder shower may set in
late this afternoon and cool the at-
mosphere but the western winds of to-
morrow are expected to forestall any
showers tomorrow, and a fairly com-
fortable and fair Sunday is the predic-
tion.

TO BUILD HOSPITAL FOR SERBIAN BABES

American Red Cross Selects
Two Woman Physicians to
Have Charge of Work.

In an effort to save the lives of thou-
sands of Serbian babies threatened by
war conditions and disease, the Ameri-
can Red Cross announced today that
Dr. Louise Taylor Jones, of this city,
now in charge of the Camp Good Will
hospital, and Dr. Catherine H. Travis,
of New Britain, Conn., will be sent to
Serbia.

The two women, both of whom are
physicians, will sail Monday from New
York on the Greek steamer Constanti-
nos. They will go to Serbia via Pa-
rao, Greece.

In a few weeks they will be followed
by medical supplies and a corps of Red
Cross nurses, who will establish a baby
hospital. Dr. Jones and Dr. Travis,
after a conference with Serbian authori-
ties, will decide upon a location for the
hospital.

The Red Cross headquarters declared
that the establishment of the baby hos-
pital is made possible by a fund which
has been collected for this purpose and
which now amounts to several thousand
dollars.

Much of the money was obtained, it
is said, through the efforts of Mrs.
Slavko Grouitch, wife of the Serbian un-
der secretary for foreign affairs. Be-
fore her marriage, Mrs. Grouitch was
Miss Mabel Dunlop, of West Virginia.
The hospital will be named for her.

ADVENTIST CHURCH PROPHETESS DEAD

Word Received At Headquarters
in Takoma Park of Passing
of Mrs. Ellen G. White.

Word was received today at the
headquarters of the Seventh Day Ad-
ventist Church, at Takoma Park, of the
death of Mrs. Ellen G. White, last
night at her home at St. Helena, Cal.
Mrs. White, who was in her eighty-
fourth year, was the prophetess of the
church. She had been ill for two
months.

Mrs. White, who for years was promi-
nently identified with the work of the
church, fell about two months ago,
fracturing a hip. Her friends had ex-
pected her death for more than a
month.

Funeral services will be held from
her home in St. Helena on Monday
Interment will be in Battle Creek,
Mich., beside Mrs. White's husband,
James White, who died several years
ago.

MENACE FROM FLOOD SUBSIDING IN OHIO

Five Dead and Property Loss
From Three Days' Storm
May Reach Million Mark.

CLEVELAND, July 17.—Ohio's flood
menace was subsiding today.
The toll of the terrific three days' rain
and rainstorm today had reached five
dead and an estimated property loss
of from \$500,000 to \$1,000,000.
Thousands are homeless.

Each city is handling its own relief
work. At Lima where the Ottawa river
exceeded the 1913 flood crest, James C.
Loag, railway official, Arthur Jackson
and Mrs. Laura Becaw lost their lives
as a result of the flood.

Ethel Snyder, eight, was drowned in
an inundated field at Van Wert. Near
Lancaster, Howard Henry, thirty-five
was killed by lightning.
Many thrilling rescues were reported
from various flooded parts of the State.
Columbus, Lima, Keaton, Findley, Del-
aware, Sandusky, and Newark were all
hit by flooding of the Ottawa, Scioto,
Olentangy, Blanchard and Muskingum
rivers.

Free Dancing at Great Falls, Va.—Adv.

INES DEMAND TO MILLION OF U. S. AS DEBT ARMS PLANT

Seven New England Roads
Allege They Have Lost Heav-
ily on Mail Contracts.

PARCEL POST IS BLAMED

Postmaster General Charged
With Illegal Weighing of
Mails, and Other Offenses.

Claims against the Government ag-
gregating \$10,850,965.43 were filed by
petition with the Court of Claims to-
day by the seven New England rail-
roads, which allege that they have
lost this sum of money in the past
six years through carrying the mails
under the present system of weights.
The petitioners allege their compensa-
tion at the present rate fixed per mile
is unreasonable, unjust, and con-
fiscatory, and hence unconstitutional and
void. It is claimed that "the annual
increase of mail has not been paid for
at all," that "the carrying of the
parcel post has been without adequate
compensation," and that "the deficien-
cy created by loss of mail compensa-
tion must be made up from the
freight, passenger and express re-
ceipts."

The petitioners and the amounts
claimed are: New York, New Haven
and Hartford, \$4,524,713.65; Boston and
Maine, \$3,676,823.90; Maine Central, \$1,
839,740; Bangor and Aroostook, \$400,
194.08; New York, Ontario and West-
ern, \$305,000; Sandy River and Rangeley
lakes, \$30,968.31; and Bridgeton and
Saco River, \$13,425.58.

Two Causes of Action.
Two causes of action are set up, one
with respect to the system of weighing
mail, declared to be illegal, and the
other with respect to the rate of
pay per mile and the increasingly
expensive demands made from time to
time by the Postmaster General upon
the railroads for facilities, for which
no adequate compensation has been
made.

It is contended by the railroads that
the present weighing is conducted by
postal officials and they are not even
permitted to check up. They contend
the weighing is not in accordance with
the law, in that it is not done annually;
that the four-year periods are not ac-
crued, and in effect that no allowance
is made for increase during the four
years.

The railroads charge that the Post-
master General "deliberately and pur-
posely" resorted to this system for the
reason that by so doing they would be
compelled to carry and did carry it.
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THAW DENIES SELF TO SEASIDE CROWDS

Eats in His Room, Slips Out of
Hotel, and Avoids Atlantic
City Throngs.

ATLANTIC CITY, N. J., July 17.—
Harry Thaw ate his breakfast today in his
room at the Dennis, thereby striking
a cruel blow at several hundred sum-
mer resorters. They had arrived in
the breakfast room, swallowed extra
cups of coffee and double portions of
eggs, and had braved the angry glares
of the Thaws, all for a look at Thaw.

At 10 o'clock management passed the
word to the dining room, the curi-
ous and their checks, with visible dis-
appointment and stamped out.
"Wonder they wouldn't have told us,"
snorted one flashily gowned woman. "I
got up at 7 o'clock, and missed him."

Thaw wasn't as curious to see the
crowds as the crowds were to see him.
He slipped out of the hotel unrecog-
nized before breakfast, took a jaunt
along the boardwalk, ducked the growl-
ing throng around the hotel, and slipped
back into his room.

The management kept the number of
Thaw's room secret to keep daring
women curiosity seekers from penetrat-
ing to the upper halls. Despite this
precaution, several guests complained
that they were halted in the lobby by
effusive young women who demanded to
know if they weren't "really Harry."
No other members of the Thaw family
have booked rooms in Atlantic City,
and it is believed Thaw himself will
remain here only a few days. He re-
fused to discuss his plans.

Broadway Gets Thrill, Motor Bandits Caught

NEW YORK, July 17.—Sensation-
arized Broadway got a real thrill to-
day as it watched a high-powered road-
ster go tearing up the street, closely
pursued by a commandeered taxicab
with a policeman standing on the run-
ning board shooting every time the
wheels of the taxicab touched the
pavement.

After a long chase two men were cap-
tured by the police, charged with hold-
ing up a Japanese restaurant.

CHARGES PLOT TO DESTROY ARMS PLANT

New Britain, Conn., Mayor
Asks Government to Send
Secret Service Agents There

TWO SUSPECTS ARRESTED

Search Reveals Dynamite in
Their Rooms—Said To Be of
German Origin.

NEW BRITAIN, Conn., July 17.—
Mayor George E. Quigley today re-
quested Government officials at Wash-
ington to send Secret Service men here
to investigate what is believed to be
a plot to wreck New Britain factories
that are working on war orders for the
allies.

Two men, who, officials say, are of
German origin, were arrested today, and
a search of their rooms revealed a quan-
tity of dynamite. Their names are with-
held.

The nearness of the Colts Firearms
Company, at Hartford, which is working
on a mammoth order for automatic re-
volvers for the allies, heightened the of-
ficials' apprehension.

North & Jud, owners of a factory
here, filing a large order for leather
saddles, have doubled the guard around
their plant.

Pattern Makers on U. S. Submarine Work Go Out At Bridgeport

BRIDGEPORT, Conn., July 17.—Seven-
teen pattern-makers working on the
Government's eight new submarine un-
der construction here, struck today. In
a week the strikers say, work will be
completely tied up unless their demands
are met. Efforts are being made to
mediate the differences between carpenters,
millwrights, and machinists.

Bridgeport Unions to Call Strike Unless Factories Capitulate

BRIDGEPORT, July 17.—Bridgeport
was quiet today. Union leaders, di-
recting the proposed strike that may tie
up the great Remington arms and
munitions factories, said it was the full
before the storm, which will break
early next week, unless the company
agrees to let the millwrights work in
its shops under machine gun guard.

Every factory in Bridgeport must grant
the eight-hour day also, they said.

Bridgeport Strike May Hit Bethlehem Munitions Factory

SOUTH BETHLEHEM, Pa., July 17.—
The turning out of shrapnel shells at the
Bethlehem Steel Company plant will
soon become affected if the strike at
the Remington plant at Bridgeport con-
tinues. The Remington company prac-
tically makes all the brass bolts for the
shrapnel shells manufactured here. This
is the part of the shell which contains
the powder and percussion cap.

The steel company here makes the
steel shell and the lead shrapnel bullets,
while the Scoville company of Connec-
ticut makes the fuses or head of the
shrapnel shell.

HOTEL PROSECUTIONS TO BEGIN WEDNESDAY

Validity of Marks Hotel's
Saloon License To Be Ques-
tioned in Court.

Prosecutions to determine whether
hotel licenses issued to hotels having
more than fifty rooms for guests are
legal will be begun in the Police Court
Wednesday by F. H. Stephens, assistant
corporate counsel, in the case of the
Marks Hotel, 1000 E. street northwest.
This is the second case to be decided
on the issues raised by the Anti-Saloon
League in regard to the issuance of
hotel licenses by the excise board. Ap-
peal will be made by Mr. Stephens in
the case of the Marks Hotel.

On August 24, Mr. Stephens will be-
gin prosecution to determine the ques-
tion of measurements between schools
and places of worship, the law provid-
ing that no barroom shall be licensed or
maintained within 400 feet of a school
house or place of worship.

Mr. Stephens said today he will be
able to present his appeals to the Court
of Appeals at the beginning of its fall
term.

40,000 Women Eager To Aid Britain March In Big Demonstration



MRS. EMMELINE PANKHURST.

BATTLE IMPENDS IN NORTHERN POLAND

Russians Prepare to Meet von
Hindenburg, Who Presses
Toward Novo Georgievsk.

PETROGRAD, July 17.—The most great
battle at the western end of the Rus-
sian battlefield since the retreat from
the Mazurian Lakes is imminent.
Falling back slightly before the Ger-
man advance, the Russians are taking
up strongly entrenched positions along a
line extending from the Courland to the
Vistula. General von Hindenburg is
pressing rapidly forward and the en-
gagement cannot be long delayed.

Von Hindenburg's center, aiming at
Warsaw through Przasnysz, has been
re-enforced by the arrival of nearly
10,000 troops within the last forty-eight
hours.

The great Russian fortress of Novo
Georgievsk, protecting Warsaw from the
north, is the objective of this German
army.

Retreat Admitted.

Official dispatches to the war office
early today admitted that the Czar's
troops have been forced to retreat in
the extreme north, along the Windau
river, at several points north and north-
west of Warsaw and on the front di-
rectly west of the capital.

The forces that withdrew, however,
were for the most part scouting parties
who retired upon their main bodies
after making a few hours' stand
against the advancing Germans.

Despite the retreatment at several sec-
tors of the battlefield, the war office
today was unusually optimistic over the
situation all along the battlefield.

Officially pointed to the fact that von
Hindenburg, following the Russian re-
treat from the Mazurian lakes several
months ago, attempted a similar thrust
against Warsaw, but was easily defeat-
ed and rolled back against the Ger-
man frontier.

Italians Capture Two Passes in Val Camonica Region of the Tyrol

ROME, July 17.—Italian troops have
occupied Brizio and Venerodol passes
in the Val Camonica region of the
Tyrol, nearly two miles above the level
of the sea, according to official dis-
patches from General Cadorna today.

Alpini troops took the passes after
repulsing a severe Austrian attack.
They followed up their success by pur-
suing the enemy so closely that the
Austrians abandoned several heavy
guns.

Weak attacks by the enemy along the
Carnia frontier have been repulsed.
There is no change on the Isonzo
front.

BERLIN (via wireless to Sayville),
July 17.—French losses in the recent
fighting around Arras total 78,000, ac-
cording to official estimates made here
today.

The French government, says a state-
ment, given out today, has concealed
the casualty lists, but the German war
office has obtained the figures "by
various means." Nine French divisions
participated in these, the Third army
corps suffered most, losing 15,000 in
killed, wounded, and captured.

"The French government," says a
semi-official statement, "is endeavoring
to belittle the great German successes
in the Artois forest, near Verdun. All
the furious attacks of the French in an
effort to regain these positions have
been repulsed, illustrating the bravery
of the German troops."

Greatest Feminist Movement
Since Days of Militantism to
Prove Readiness to Serve.

LEADERS SEE LLOYD-GEORGE

Eager to Work in Munition
Factories and Release Men
For the Trenches.

LONDON, July 17.—Forty thousand
women, dressed in red, white, and
blue colors of the Union Jack and of
France, participated this afternoon in
the greatest feminine demonstration in
England since the days of militantism.
Accompanied by seventy-five brass
bands, they marched from the Thames
to Trafalgar Square in a patriotic
procession to prove to the government
that women are ready to "do their bit"
to help England win the war.

Tremendous outbursts of cheering
greeted the leaders of the pageant, a
group of the prettiest girls in London,
appropriately costumed to represent
each of the allies.

Visit Lloyd-George.
Heading the entire procession was a
beautiful girl dressed in the national
colors of Belgium, and carrying a tatter-
ed Belgian flag.

Mrs. Emmeline Pankhurst and sev-
eral other leaders who marched drop-
ped out later and formed a deputation
that visited Minister of Munitions
Lloyd-George.

Mrs. Pankhurst placed before Lloyd-
George figures to show that 40 per
cent of the nation's workers in Ger-
many are women, and that 25 per cent
of all food canned for the German
army is lined by women. She em-
phasized that the women munition
workers, both in Germany and France,
were untrained for the work before
the war began, but had done invaluable
work for their countries.

Would Release Men To Fight.
"Our fight for votes for women is a
 forgotten issue in the national crisis,"
said Mrs. Pankhurst. "We are willing
to 'do our bit' for England by taking
our place in the factories and releasing
men for the trenches. We are willing
to do any work the government may
assign to us, day or night."

Mrs. Pankhurst and her colleagues
later rejoined the procession. The
parade marched past cheering thou-
sands gathered along Piccadilly and in
Trafalgar Square.

Let women work; shells made by a
wife may save her husband's life.
read one of the banners carried in the
parade.

Down with sex prejudice; we are
not slackers," read another.

BRITISH MINERS FAIL TO O. K. ARBITRATION

Labor Executive Council Ad-
journs Without Accepting
Government's Offer.

LONDON, July 17.—The executive
council of the South Wales coal miners
this afternoon adjourned a lengthy ses-
sion here without accepting the govern-
ment's offer of immediate arbitration.

Officials would not disclose what oc-
curred in the conference except to say
that delegates had been unable to reach
a unanimous agreement.

The council will reconvene at Cardiff
on Monday.

Minister of munitions Lloyd-George
will make a petition appear to the
miners today to return to work.

Lloyd-George plans to go to Cardiff
tomorrow. He will appeal to the patri-
otism of his fellow countrymen and
urge them to return to the mines, pend-
ing arrangements for arbitration.

Officials would not disclose what oc-
curred in the conference except to say
that delegates had been unable to reach
a unanimous agreement.

\$68,544,000 To Be Spent In Improving Berlin

BERLIN (via wireless to London),
July 17.—The municipal council, without
debate, today passed an ordinance ap-
propriating 28,900,000 marks (\$68,544,000)
for municipal improvements.

In making public announcement of
this fact, the authorities said rumors
circulated in foreign capitals that Berlin
bankers had told the Kaiser that Ger-
many's financial strength was exhaust-
ed, were ridiculous.

3,500 Iron Crosses.

BERLIN (via wireless to London),
July 17.—Since the beginning of the war,
2,500 Iron Crosses of the first class have
been distributed to German war heroes.

Low Week-End and Sunday Excursion
Fares, Southern Railway. Consult agents.
—Adv.

R. ROSS PERRY, WELL-KNOWN LAWYER, KILLS SELF IN OFFICE

Attorney of National Reputation
Shoots Himself in Head and
Dies in a Few Minutes.
Motive Not Known.

Was Member of Board of Direc-
tors of Riggs Bank and
Played Prominent Part in
General Affairs of City.

R. Ross Perry, one of the most
prominent attorneys in Washing-
ton, shot himself in the right tem-
ple while alone for a few minutes
in his office in the Fendall build-
ing, 344 D street northwest, at
12:30 o'clock today.

He was taken to Emergency Hos-
pital where he died at 1:15 with-
out regaining consciousness.

Mr. Perry's son, R. Ross Perry,
jr., who was associated with him
in the law business, had just
his father a few minutes be-
fore the tragedy to get his automob-
ile in which he was to take his fat-
her to lunch. Returning at 12:30
found his father in an unconsci-
ous condition, with blood flowing from
the wound in his head.

The bullet entered the right tem-
ple and came out on the left.

The motive which prompted Mr.
Perry to take his life is a mystery,
but friends say that of late he has
been under a tremendous business
strain.

News of the suicide caused
much excitement among members
of the bar and at city hall. The
courts had just closed for the day
and employes and attorneys were
preparing to leave the building
when word came that Mr. Perry
had taken his life.

Native of Washington.
Richard Ross Perry was probably
one of the best known members of the
District bar, and enjoyed a nation-wide
reputation as a lawyer. He was a na-
tive Washingtonian, having been born
here February 29, 1816.

He was graduated from Georgetown
University in 1844, receiving the degree
of A. M. In 1850 he was married to
Miss C. Callie Thaw, of this city.

Mr. Perry was admitted to the Dis-
trict bar in May, 1868, and had a con-
tinuous practice.

Besides being a member of the board
of directors of Riggs National Bank,
Mr. Perry was a director of the Colum-
bia Institute for the Deaf, the Corcoran
Galleary of Art, Carnegie Public Library,
and a member of the American Society
of International Law.

He was the author of "Perry on Com-
mon Law Pleading" and other works.

Ban Put on Liquor For French Troops

Military Governor of Paris Issues
Order Forbidding Sale
of Alcoholic.

PARIS, July 17.—General Gallieni,
military governor of Paris, today issued
a decree absolutely forbidding the sale
of alcoholic liquors of any kind to sol-
diers within the entrenched camp of
Paris.

At a time when the physical and
moral energy of our troops should be
at the maximum, alcohol, which de-
stroys both, must be banished," read
the official proclamation.

The decree, it was understood, re-
sulted from the practice of civilians in
"treating" too liberally soldiers on duty
here and on leaves of absence from the
battleground.

Submarine Makes Ship Jettison Food Cargo

LONDON, July 17.—The cargo of pro-
visions of the Norwegian steamship
Vega was consigned to the sea when
the vessel was overhauled on her voy-
age from Bergen to Newcastle by a
German submarine, according to the
official proclamation.

The officers say that the submarine
came alongside the Vega and that the
commander of the submarine superin-
tended the jettisoning of her cargo of
200 tons of salmon, 800 cases of butter,
and 4,000 cases of sardines.